on receipt of the same, further course of action to be taken in the matter will be considered.

Road Accidents in the Metropolitan Cities

1173. SHRI J. K. JAIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of road accidents which occurred in Delhi during the last six months;

(b) how does it compare with the figures of the other three metropolitan cities like Bombay, Calcutta and Madras during the same period;

(c) the comparative figures of casualties of all the aforesaid cities;

(d) the types of vehicles that were involved in most of these road accidents in Delhi; and

(e) what steps Government have taken or are taking to inculcate road sense in the general public?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) to (c) During the first 6 months of the current year, there have been 576 fatal road accidents in Delhi.

The comparative figures of fatal road accidents in the metropolitan cities of Bombay, Delhi and Madras for the first five months of the current year which are available, are indicated below:—

Delhi—531

Bombay—395

Madras—122

(d) Heay Transport vehicles, like Goods carriers, DTC and other buses were involved in most of these cases.

(e) In addition to prosecuting the vehicle drivers for violation of traffic rules, road safety education is being imparted through the various medias like the TV and AIR. The pedestrians including children are being advised and educated to use Zebra-crossing, foot-bridges and under-bridges to avoid accidents. Maximum speed limit for various types of vehicles have been specified for different roads. Speed checking by the radar is done and offenders are challaned. Highway patrolling has been introduced to ensure better enforcement.

Sino-Indian Official level talks

1174. SHRI J. K. JAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any dates have been finalised for the fifth round of official level talks between India and China;

(b) if so, what are the dates and the venue selected for the talks;

(c) whether the composition of the Indian delegation has been finalised and the name of the leader of the delegates decided upon;

(d) what are the issues to be discussed during the talks; and

(e) whether the boundary question is also likely to be discussed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A. A. RAHIM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The talks are schedule to commence at Beijing from 17th September, 1984.

(c) The composition of the Indian delegation, to be led by K. Natwar Singh, Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs, is being finalised.

(d) and (e) Though the agenda has yet to be formalised, it is expected to follow the past pattern and cover, besides the boundary question, other aspects of bilateral relations as well.

Extensions granted to officers of Delhi Administration

1175. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the particulars of the officers of the Delhi Administration who